



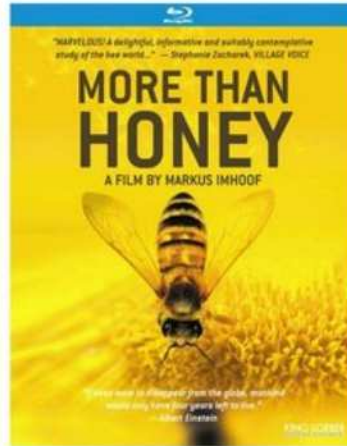
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Here are five really fine documentaries that all could have been longer, a few that would easily be Academy Award contenders and are all worth your time...

Doug Hawes-Davis' **All The Labor** (2013) is a look at The Gourds, a very talented Country Rock band that has been around for years, yet never has had the commercial breakthrough their talents or hard work should have given them by now. It does not help that the music industry and major labels have no idea (or even care to try to find) how to sign new talents that are nothing beyond flash, cynical gimmicks, misery and barely any talent. Here, we meet the band, see them on tour, they open up more than you would ever see in a pop fluff piece or bad reality TV and we her them play plenty of well made songs.

This is more of a biography of the band than the individual members, but they are brave in showing who they are and is so good, even if you are not a fan of the music, it is hard to stop watching because it is so well done. This one runs 96 minutes.

Though nowhere to be found on the back of the DVD case or anywhere else, extras include a dozen full-length music performances unedited, 5 Deleted Scenes, 2 Alternate Scenes and a Trailer.

Evan Jackson Leong's **Linsanity** (2013) is a biography and documentary about Jeremy Lin, the terrific, groundbreaking basketball player who seemed like an overnight sensation but barely made a name for himself against so many odds, an industry that does not seem to always know how to spot talent and of course, some racism. I also had to wonder if the openness of his religious faith (Christianity in this case, though the documentary never begins to suggest this as it rightly could) also got him ignored.

From interviews with family and friends, to a surprisingly nice amount of low definition amateur footage of Lin playing the game and being with his family at a very young age to media reaction (including more institutionalized racism than was necessary to the point of being embarrassing to the big

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